

Project Completion Report
Coastal Zone Management Grant G0089083
between the
State of Washington Department of Ecology
and the
Grays Harbor Regional Planning Commission
January 1, 1989-June 30, 1989

Summary Account

The grant contract became effective on January 1, 1989.

Task 1: Conduct 1989 Annual Review of the Grays Harbor Estuary Management Plan.

The Grays Harbor Regional Planning Commission conducted a meeting of the Grays Harbor Estuary Citizens Advisory Council. The Council is required to meet before the Task Force.

The Grays Harbor Regional Planning Commission conducted the first annual review of the *Grays Harbor Estuary Management Plan* on February 15, 1989. All of the Task Force members, except for the City of Cosmopolis, attended the annual review as did members of the public, the press, and interested organizations. The Task Force members are: the City of Aberdeen, City of Cosmopolis, Grays Harbor County, City of Hoquiam, City of Ocean Shores, City of Westport, Port of Grays Harbor, State of Washington Department of Ecology, State of Washington Department of Fisheries, State of Washington Department of Natural Resources, State of Washington Department of Wildlife, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Environmental Protection Agency, National Marine Fisheries Service, and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

To prepare for the meeting, staff drafted rules of procedure for the Grays Harbor Estuary Management Task Force. The rules were the first written procedures adopted by the Task Force and are intended to facilitate the deliberations of the Task Force and public understanding of the Task Force's role. Staff also prepared an agenda for the annual review and staff reports on the key issues before the Task Force. These material were mailed to the Task Force members before the meeting.

After the meeting, staff prepared a meeting summary, the amendments to the Estuary Plan approved by the Task Force, and the modifications of the procedural guidelines approved by the Task Force. These materials were reviewed by the Task Force Executive Committee and modified based on the committee's comments. The materials were then circulated to the Task Force and the Task Force's comments incorporated into the materials. A resolution which would amend the Grays Harbor County Shorelines Master Program to incorporate the Task Force's decisions was also drafted. Staff also provided information on the meeting to the press.

The written results of this Task can be found in two compendiums: *Grays Harbor Estuary Management Task Force 1989 Meeting Packet* and *Grays Harbor Estuary Management Task Force 1989 Meeting Results Packet*. Five copies of these documents are included with this report. These are unpublished reports.

Task 2: Assist the City of Ocean Shores, Department of Ecology and other agencies in reviewing the Grays Harbor Estuary Management Plan.

The Commission staff has worked with Ocean Shores and the Department of Ecology in reviewing the Grays Harbor Estuary Management Plan. Staff has discussed the plan and the city's concerns with city staff, city elected officials, and Department of Ecology staff. The Commission has drafted two sets of language to accommodate the city's concerns. It appears that many of the city's concerns have been resolved. This language is not yet final and is not available in published form.

Task 3: Integrate the Adopted Grays Harbor Estuary Management Plan into Local Government Shorelines Master Programs.

Commission staff has integrated the *Grays Harbor Estuary Management Plan* into the Grays Harbor County, Hoquiam, and Aberdeen Shorelines Master Programs. This brings together the existing master program requirements and Estuary Management Plan provisions. This will reduce confusion and increase permitting and enforcement efficiency. Unfortunately, because of the late start on the project, we were not able to complete the integration of the Estuary Plan into the Westport, Ocean Shores, and Cosmopolis Master Programs. However, the work done was commensurate with the billings. These changes were coordinated with WDOE. Five copies of the draft revised shorelines master programs are included with this report.

Task 4: Update the Procedural Provisions of the Local Government Shorelines Master Programs.

Commission staff has updated the procedural provisions of the Grays Harbor County, Hoquiam, Aberdeen, and Elma Shorelines Master Programs. These amendments, when adopted, will bring the local master programs into compliance with the current provisions of the Shorelines Management Act, will eliminate procedural language that has created administrative problems, and will increase administrative efficiency. Unfortunately, because of the late start on the project, we were not able to update the procedures for Westport, Ocean Shores, and Cosmopolis. However, the work done was commensurate with the billings. For Grays Harbor County, Hoquiam, and Aberdeen the new provisions have been included in the revised master programs described in Task 4 above. Five copies of the draft revised shorelines master programs are included with this report. For Elma these provisions are included in a draft amendatory ordinance. These changes were coordinated with WDOE. Five copies of the ordinance is included with this report.

Task 5: Revise the Draft Montesano Shorelines Master Program to Address WDOE concerns.

Commission staff has discussed the concerns with WDOE staff and with the City of Montesano. Unfortunately, because of the late start on the project, we were not able to complete this work task. However, the work done was commensurate with the billings.

Abstracts

1. **Title:** Revised *Grays Harbor County Shorelines Master Program*.

2. **Authors:** Tim Trohimovich, John Petrich, Tim Hilliard, Tim Triesch, and Robin Hutchinson.

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3. Subject: Shorelines Master Program including *Grays Harbor Estuary Management Plan Provisions*.

4. Date: June 1989.

5. Participating Agencies: Department of Ecology, Grays Harbor County, and the Grays Harbor Regional Planning Commission.

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10. Abstract: A revised shorelines master program which includes the provisions of the *Grays Harbor Estuary Management Plan* and updated procedures. The procedures include changes mandated by state law and state regulation. This master program brings the provisions necessary to effectively administer shorelines requirements in Grays Harbor County into one document. The master program also integrates the requirements of the Washington State Environmental Policy Act into the master program. The procedures for amending the Grays Harbor Estuary Management Plan are integrated into the Master Program amendment procedures. Provisions that have created administrative difficulty have been modified. The new procedures include new permit processing procedures, new hearing procedures, new master program amendment procedures, new variance procedures, new appeal procedures, new permit modification procedures, and new permit revocation procedures.

1. Title: Revised *City of Aberdeen Shorelines Master Program*.

2. Authors: Tim Trohimovich, John Petrich, Tim Hilliard, and Robin Hutchinson.

3. Subject: Shorelines Master Program including *Grays Harbor Estuary Management Plan Provisions*.

4. Date: June 1989.

5. Participating Agencies: Department of Ecology. City of Aberdeen, and the Grays Harbor Regional Planning Commission.

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9. Number of Pages: 70.

10. Abstract: A revised shorelines master program which includes the provisions of the *Grays Harbor Estuary Management Plan* and updated procedures. The procedures

include changes mandated by state law and state regulation. This master program brings the provisions necessary to effectively administer shorelines requirements in City of Aberdeen into one document. The master program also integrates the requirements of the Washington State Environmental Policy Act into the master program. The procedures for amending the Grays Harbor Estuary Management Plan are integrated into the Master Program amendment procedures. Provisions that have created administrative difficulty have been modified. The new procedures include new permit processing procedures, new hearing procedures, new master program amendment procedures, new variance procedures, new appeal procedures, new permit modification procedures, and new permit revocation procedures.

1. **Title:** Revised *City of Hoquiam Shorelines Master Program*.
2. **Authors:** Tim Trohimovich, John Petrich, Tim Hilliard, and Robin Hutchinson.
3. **Subject:** Shorelines Master Program including *Grays Harbor Estuary Management Plan Provisions*.
4. **Date:** June 1989.
5. **Participating Agencies:** Department of Ecology, City of Hoquiam, and the Grays Harbor Regional Planning Commission.
6. **Source of Copies:** Grays Harbor Regional Planning Commission, 2109 Sumner Avenue, Suite 202, Aberdeen, Washington 98520. Telephone (206) 532-8812.
7. **Ecology Project Number:** G0089083.
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9. **Number of Pages:** 75.
10. **Abstract:** A revised shorelines master program which includes the provisions of the *Grays Harbor Estuary Management Plan* and updated procedures. The procedures include changes mandated by state law and state regulation. This master program brings the provisions necessary to effectively administer shorelines requirements in City of Hoquiam into one document. The master program also integrates the requirements of the Washington State Environmental Policy Act into the master program. The procedures for amending the Grays Harbor Estuary Management Plan are integrated into the Master Program amendment procedures. Provisions that have created administrative difficulty have been modified. The new procedures include new permit processing procedures, new hearing procedures, new master program amendment procedures, new variance procedures, new appeal procedures, new permit modification procedures, and new permit revocation procedures. Conflicts in the master program procedures have been resolved.

1. **Title:** Revised City of Elma Shorelines Procedures.
2. **Authors:** Tim Trohimovich, John Petrich, Tim Hilliard, Tim Triesch, and Robin Hutchinson.
3. **Subject:** Ordinance amending procedural provisions of Elma Shorelines Master Program.

4. Date: June 1989.

5. Participating Agencies: Department of Ecology, City of Elma, and the Grays Harbor Regional Planning Commission.

6. Source of Copies: Grays Harbor Regional Planning Commission, 2109 Sumner Avenue, Suite 202, Aberdeen, Washington 98520. Telephone (206) 532-8812.

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9. Number of Pages: 30.

10. Abstract: An ordinance amending the Elma shorelines master program to adopt new procedural provisions. The procedures include changes mandated by state law and state regulation. The ordinance integrates the requirements of the Washington State Environmental Policy Act into the master program. Provisions that have created administrative difficulty have been modified. The new procedures include new permit processing procedures, new hearing procedures, new master program amendment procedures, new variance procedures, new appeal procedures, new permit modification procedures, and new permit revocation procedures.

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